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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 7, 2002, applicant amends the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 4 and 8 as follows:

- 4. (Fourth Amended) The tamping machine as claimed in claim 1, wherein the piston guide is produced from plastic in one piece together with at least one dampening bushing.
- 8. (Twice Amended) The tamping machine as claimed in claim 5, wherein the piston guide is produced from plastic in one piece together with at least one dampening bushing.